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Excellency,

I have the honour of addressing you in my capacity as Chair of the Open-Ended Working Group on security of and in the use of information and communications technologies 2021-2025 (OEWG), established pursuant to General Assembly resolution 75/240 adopted on 31 December 2020.

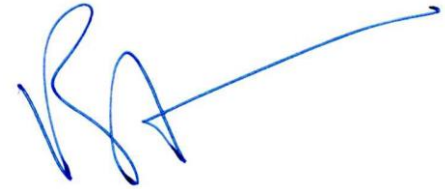
I would like to thank delegations for their active participation in the seventh substantive session of the OEWG, which was convened last week from 4 to 8 March 2024. As delegations will recall, due to the length of the speakers list at this session and the strict limits imposed on meeting duration by the UN Secretariat due to the ongoing UN liquidity crisis, we were unable to hear from all speakers who had requested for the floor on the topic “Establish, under the auspices of the United Nations, regular institutional dialogue with the broad participation of States” under agenda item 5 as contained in our agreed Programme of Work.

It is important to hear the remaining speakers on this important issue. In this regard, I would like to invite delegations to a virtual informal “town hall” meeting on **Wednesday, 27 March 2024 at 9.00am (New York time)** to continue our discussions on regular institutional dialogue. Connection details will be conveyed by the Secretariat in due course.

At this virtual informal “town hall” meeting, in accordance with my proposal at the closing of the seventh substantive session, I intend to first give the floor to the remaining delegations that had not been able to make their statements at the seventh substantive session. I will then open the floor to all other delegations to make further comments on this issue, should they wish to contribute additional views beyond those expressed in their statements at the seventh substantive session.

I thank all delegations for their continued commitment to the work of the OEWG. I look forward to working together with delegations to building further consensus across all areas of our mandate as established in General Assembly resolution 75/240, in support of our common objective of enhancing international peace and security.

Please accept, Excellency, the assurances of my highest consideration.



**Burhan Gafoor**

Chair

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